## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

DONALD C. D. CHANG, ET AL

**BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT** Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Serial No. 09/973,270 Filed: October 5, 2001

For: SAMPLING TECHNIQUE FOR DIGITAL BEAM

**FORMER** 

Date: December 12, 2002

Group Art Unit: 2634

Examiner: Lugo, David

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	Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.								
		Applicant petitions for an extension of time for 1 months(s) to respond to the Office Action dated In an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.							
							Fee	\$	
	An extension for months(s) has already been secured, the fee paid therefor of								
		is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.							
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		Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action dated							
	However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has in overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.								inadvertently
	<u>x</u>	No additional fee for claims is required.							
		The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:							
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			CLAIMS REMAINING	HIGHEST NUMBER	PRESENT				ADDITIONAL
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Respectfully submitted.

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Box Non-Fee Amendment Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the specification as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the existing Paragraph 13 and substitute therefor the following replacement paragraph:

--[0013] Therefore, a mobile satellite payload having a minimal number of components, which can convert analog signals in frequency bands up to C-band to digital signals, is possible due to the stated method advantages. The present invention itself, together with further objects and attendant advantages, will be best understood by reference to the following detailed description, taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings.--

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